

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

**(IN FORMAT COMPLIANT WITH THE REVISED 37 CFR 1.121)**

Please add the following paragraph starting on page 1,  
line 3:

The present application is related to co-pending application, Serial No. 09/881,493, filed concurrently.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 13, line 16 with the following paragraph:

Referring to FIG. 3, a detailed block diagram of an implementation of the processing circuit 128 and the external circuit 108 is shown. The processing circuit 128 generally comprises multiple circuits 132A-M, a circuit 134, and a circuit 136. The external circuit 108 may be implemented ~~a~~ as one or more circuits 132N-Q. The circuits 132A-Q may be implemented as peripheral blocks or peripheral circuits. The circuit 134 may be implemented as a parser circuit. The circuit 136 may be implemented as an assembler circuit.